

**Abstract**

The present invention relates to a method for operating a cooking appliance including a cooking chamber, which is bounded by a housing and a door in its closed position, and further including a cooking appliance control system, the door being automatically openable by the cooking appliance control system by means of a door opening device.

In order to further improve the ease of use for the user, the door (6) is automatically moved from the closed position to the open position when the cooking process is complete, and subsequently automatically returned to the closed position when a physical quantity falls below a predetermined threshold value stored in a memory of the cooking appliance control system.

The present invention also relates to a device for carrying out the method according to the present invention.